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Sir:

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Copies of the following publications are provided:

- (a) U.S. Patent No. 3,688,336,  
"Extended-Life Doctoring Apparatus".
- (b) U.S. Patent No. 6,074,526,  
"Method of Creping Tissue".
- (c) U.S. Patent No. 6,207,021,  
"Creping Blade".
- (d) International Publication No. WO 97/22729,  
"Method of Coating Yankee Dryers Against Wear".
- (e) U.K. Patent Application No. 2,128,551A,  
"Scraper With Wear-Resistant Coating".

These publications are discussed at Page 2, 3, and 5 of Applicants' Specification.

For the convenience of the Examiner a Form PTOL-1449 is attached. It is requested that an Examiner-initialed copy of this form be returned to the undersigned once the above publications are considered.

The examination and allowance of the Application are respectfully requested.

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	3,688,336		COSTELLO, Jr. <i>et al.</i>	September 5, 1972
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